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SUBJECT: CONTINUATION OF HORMAN CHRONOLOGY

REF: SANTIAGO 5132

FOLLOWING IS CONTINUATION UP TO OCT 15 OF CHRONOLOGY OF MISSION
EFFORTS IN HORMAN CASE AS BEGUN IN REFTEL. CHRONOLOGY WILL BE
CONTINUED IN SEPTTEL.

5 OCT - CONSULAR OFFICERS CONTACTED THREE PERSONS REPORTED
BY MRS. HORMAN TO HAVE RECEIVED CALLS INQUIRING ABOUT HER
HUSBAND. TWO INDICATED THAT THE CALLERS HAD IDENTIFIED THEM-
SELVES AS BEING FROM MILITARY INTELLIGENCE AND ONE WAS ASKED
TO GO TO THE NEAREST CARABINERO STATION TO GIVE INFO ABOUT
HORMAN. A CHECK BACK TO MILITARY INTELLIGENCE THROUGH COL.
HON RECEIVED ANOTHER DENIAL OF KNOWLEDGE ABOUT HORMAN AND,
SPECIFICALLY, ABOUT THE CALLS.

7 OCT - CONSULAR PERSONNEL CHECKED WITH ALL PERTINENT FOREIGN
EMBASSIES TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT AMCITS (AND,
SPECIFICALLY, HORMAN) MIGHT HAVE TAKEN ASYLUM THERE. MOST
REPLIED THAT THEY HAD NO AMCITS AND A FEW (ARGENTINA, MEXICO,
SWEDEN) REPLIED THAT THEY COULD NOT PROVIDE INFO ON PERSONS
IN ASYLUM AT THEIR EMBASSIES.

-- AMBASSADOR TOOK ADVANTAGE OF CALL FROM F. WILLOUGHBY,
JUNTA PRESS SECTY., TO POINT OUT DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN FONOFF
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NOTE ON HORMAN (SAYING HE DETAINED 20 SEPT) AND FACT OF HIS

DETENTION 17 SEPT. WILLOUGHBY PROMISED TO CHECK (REPORTED BY SANTIAGO 4910).

8 OCT - EMB. PROVIDED MRS. HORMAN WITH A CAR TO PERMIT HER TO TALK TO NEIGHBORS AGAIN ABOUT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF HER HUSBAND'S DETENTION.

-- JUNTA PRESS SECTY. WILLOUGHBY TOLD PAO THAT OFFICE OF SECTY. GEN. OF GOVT INVESTIGATING HORMAN CASE AND HAD INTERVIEWED COL. ESPINOZA AT NATIONAL STADIUM WHO STATED THAT HORMAN'S NAME NOT IN THEIR RECORDS OF DETAINEES.

9 OCT - EMBASSY ARRANGED FOR A STORY (WHICH APPEARED 11 OCT) IN EL MERCURIO, COMPLETE WITH PHOTO, TELLING OF HORMAN'S DISAPPEARANCE, AND ASKING FOR INFO. A SPECIAL PHONE AT THE CONSULATE WAS USED FOR ANSWERING THE CALLS (WHICH WERE NOT NUMEROUS, AND NONE HELPFUL).

-- MR. HORMAN HAD HEARD THAT, IN ADDITION TO MORGUE, UNIDENTIFIED BODIES WERE TAKEN TO OTHER PLACES. CONSUL CHECKED WITH MORGUE DIRECTOR, WHO SAID THIS WAS NOT TRUE.

10 OCT - CONSULATE, AT MR. HORMAN'S REQUEST, ARRANGED FOR AN ADDITIONAL (TO THAT ALREADY DONE BY MORGUE) FINGERPRINT CHECK OF UNIDENTIFIED BODIES AGAINST THOSE OF HORMAN. THIS CHECK HAD A NEGATIVE RESULT.

-- AMBASSADOR DAVIS, IN MEETING WITH MR. HORMAN, SUGGESTED THAT HE ATTEMPT TO GET HIS SON'S DENTAL RECORDS FOR POSSIBLE USE IN CHECKING UNIDENTIFIED BODIES. MR. HORMAN LATER SAID THAT HE HAD FOUND THAT HIS SON'S CHILEAN DENTAL RECORDS HAD BEEN ROUTINELY DESTROYED, BUT THAT HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET SOME FROM MINNESOTA.

-- CONSUL VISITED NATIONAL STADIUM AND SAW DETENTION LISTS -- HORMAN NOT INCLUDED. ALSO SAW COLLECTION OF STATEMENTS SIGNED BY RELEASED PRISONERS -- NONE BY HORMAN. (RPTD SANTIAGO 4958).

11 OCT - CONSULATE RECEIVED CALL FROM MAN WHO CLAIMED TO HAVE SEEN HORMAN BOARDING A PLANE FOR PUERTO MONTT, IN SOUTH OF CHILE, ON 5 OCT. CONSULAR OFFICERS CHECKED MANIFESTS FOR OCT
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4, 5 AND 6 AND TALKED TO PERSONNEL AT AIRPORT. NO POSITIVE INFO -- INFORMANT APPEARS TO HAVE CONFUSED HORMAN WITH A CHILEAN OF SIMILAR DESCRIPTION WHO DID FLY ON 5 OCT.

-- COL. HON REVIEWED HORMAN CASE WITH COL. JUAN HENRIQUEZ OF ARMY G-2 WHO HAD NO NEW INFORMATION TO OFFER.

12 OCT - EMBASSY ARRANGED FOR MR. HORMAN TO SPEAK OVER PUBLIC

ADDRESS SYSTEM AT NATIONAL STADIUM IN ATTEMPT TO SEE IF HIS SON MIGHT BE THERE AND NOT PROPERLY IDENTIFIED. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY CONSUL AND ANOTHER CONSULAR OFFICER. THEY WERE MET BY COL. ESPINOZA, COMMANDER OF THE STADIUM, WHO SHOWED THEM DETAINEE LISTS AND THE STATEMENTS SIGNED BY RELEASED PRISONERS. THE COL. ALSO INTRODUCED MR. HORMAN OVER THE PA SYSTEM AND INVITED ANYONE WITH INFO TO COME FORWARD. THREE PERSONS DID SO, BUT THE INFO DID NOT PERTAIN TO HORMAN.

-- AMBASSADOR STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF HORMAN CASE TO GENERAL PINOCHET, PRES. OF JUNTA, AT PRIVATE EVENING MEETING.

-- POL COUNSELOR RAISED HORMAN CASE AND ASKED FOR CONTINUED EFFORTS IN CLARIFYING SITUATION IN CONVERSATION WITH COMMANDER COLLADO, MILITARY OFFICER ASSIGNED TO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

13 OCT - CONSUL AND COL. HON DISCUSSED WITH MR. HORMAN THE ISSUE OF THE ACTIVITIES AND ROLE OF MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, AS WELL AS THE REASON WHY CAPT DAVIS WAS INVOLVED IN THE SEARCH FOR HORMAN. BOTH EMBOFFS ASSURED MR. HORMAN THAT CAPT DAVIS HAD BECOME INVOLVED BECAUSE HE HAD GIVEN HORMAN A RIDE FROM VINA DEL MAR TO SANTIAGO, AND THAT THE CAPT WAS NOT RPT NOT A NAVAL INTELLIGENCE OFFICER AS MR. HORMAN HAD COME TO BELIEVE.

-- MR. HORMAN LATER MET WITH AMBASSADOR DAVIS (CONSUL PRESENT) WHO ASSURED MR. HORMAN THAT THE US GOVERNMENT HAD ASSOCIATION OR TIE WITH CHILEAN POLICE OR INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES WHICH MIGHT INVOLVE HIS SON IN ANY WAY.

15 OCT - COL. HON MET WITH GEN. LUTZ, CHIEF OF ARMY INTELLIGENCE, AND COMMANDER SERGIO HERRERA TO REVIEW CASE. COL. CONFIDENTIAL

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HON PROVIDED GEN. LUTZ WITH NEW INFO SHEET PREPARED BY CONSULATE, GIVING ALL AVAILABLE ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE DATA ABOUT HORMAN. LUTZ REPEATED HORMAN'S NAME NOT ON LIST OF DETAINEES AT NATIONAL STADIUM. LUTZ ALSO STATED THAT GROUPS OF ROBBERS AND EXTREMISTS DRESSED IN MILITARY UNIFORMS HAD BEEN RAIDING FOREIGNERS' HOMES IN DAYS FOLLOWING COUP. DAVIS

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